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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the non-final Office Action mailed on April 16, 2008. Applicant herewith requests a Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time thus extending the due date for response until August 16, 2008. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in light of the following amendments and remarks. The Commissioner is kindly asked to charge our deposit account 04-2223 for the Extension of Time fee as well as any other fees that may be due and owing in connection with this application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper;

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 4 of this paper

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.

CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION VIA EFS-WEB

I hereby certify that this Amendment is being transmitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office via the Office's electronic filing system EFS-Web addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the 14th day of August 2008.

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